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Irksome



Humans.

Oh, how they irk me.

I have never met a more difficult and annoying species in my entire life. Just when you think you've got them nailed down, you meet another one, and the damn thing is completely contrary to all the other ones.

And yet, despite diametrically opposed views, they will cohabitate. Humans with entirely different interests will form pairbonds, and spend their lives together. I once knew a lawyer and an artist who were "married" in the human tradition. I asked how they managed to stay together, with so little in common.

"Brie may be a lawyer, but she loves my art. I love that she can reason through things without letting her emotions influence her. We may seem like opposites, but we share a lot of values. Besides, everyone knows opposites attract."

There is no sense to why humans form friendships or pairbonds. People with different interests, backgrounds, and national affiliations or cultures all form social groups.

And that's just the broad overview of these monsters. I was forced to work for years with a human named John. Contrary to the generalization that humans are friendly and outgoing, he was withdrawn, difficult to engage in conversation, and avoided social gatherings. But whenever he had to deal with someone outside the office, he was verbose, and friendly.

And this offspring of a gribblet, on the last day we worked together, pulled me into his cubicle, and told me that he always appreciated how he "never felt pressured" to engage in social niceties with me, and that he was happy someone else at work was cool with silent "side by side" time, without the need for talk. He claimed he would miss me!

Or Mike, who would "chew my ear off" during social gatherings, would ply me with food and drinks. He would put his arm around my trunk as we stood and talked, but he was nearly impossible to contact. I met him numerous times, but was never once able to engage in discourse via commpad.

How can someone be so friendly in person, and so antisocial via comms?

I swear the entire species is going through some sort of social "identity disorder". I just can't deal with them, it's exhausting.

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Hey all, happy Turkey day to all my 'Murica based readers! I'm all full of turkey and I can feel the Itis trying to get me. Just a shorty before I nod off. Love you guys!